THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE GROUP TO 2003

In re Application of: Sidney Shaw White, Jr. et al.

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ABRASION RESISTANT COATING COMPOSITION, PROCESS FOR MAKING For:

SUCH COATING COMPOSITION AND ARTICLES COATED THEREWITH

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Commissioner For Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 4, 2002

This paper is submitted in response to the office action dated December 4, 2002. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A request for a three-month extension of time and requisite fee is included herewith. If the request is missing, consider this to be a request for same. If the fee is missing, the Director is authorized to deduct the fee from deposit account 10-1205.